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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMA

In re Application of:

Isabelle BARA et al.

Application No.: 09/277,226

Filed: March 26, 1999

For: W/O EMULSION,

COMPOSITION COMPRISING SUCH AN EMULSION AND COSMETIC, PHARMACEUTICAL OR HYGIENE USE THEREOF

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

## AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In reply to the Office Action mailed January 17, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in light of the following remarks. Please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

FINNECAN, HENDERSON FARABOW, CARRETT, 8 DUNNER L. L.P. 1300 I STREET W. WASHINGTON, DC 20005 202-408-4000 21. (Twice amended) The emulsion according to claim 20, wherein said at least one dye is present in the emulsion in a proportion ranging from greater than 0 to 15%, by weight relative to the total weight of the emulsion.